SHRI S. B. CHAVAN : That is my difficulty. I am prepared to discuss it with anyone.

डा० संजय सिंह : माननीय सभापति महोदय, माननीय गृह मंत्री जी ने अभी जवाब दिया कि उत्तरांचल के बारे में कोई प्रोपोजल नहीं है, प्रस्ताव नहीं है। हम लोगों ने, श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज जी ने तथा कई अन्य माननीय सदस्यों ने इसके बारे में सवाल किये और हमने यह कारण बताए कि हम उत्तरांचल क्यों चाहते हैं। आर्थिक विकास, प्रशासनिक व्यवस्था आदि इन तमाम चीजों को देखते हुए हम लोग चाहते हैं कि उसको एक नया राज्य बनाया जाए। हरियाणा, पंजाब और तमाम छोटे छोटे राज्यों की मिसाल भी हमारे सामने है। हिमाचल प्रदेश भी एक पर्वतीय प्रदेश है जिसका बजट उत्तरांचल क्षेत्र के बजट से कहीं ज्यादा है। इसके बावजूद भारत सरकार की तरफ से रिजिडिटी है जब कि उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने भी इसका अनुमोदन किया है। इन तमाम कारणों को देखते हुए हम लोग अलग उत्तरांचल राज्य चाहते हैं। हम यह जानना चाहते हैं कि अलग राज्य न बनाए जाने के क्या-क्या कारण आप महसूस करते हैं। हमारे उप मंत्री जी ने कहा था कि राष्ट्रीय एकता को इससे खतरा पहुंचेगा, वैसे गृह मंत्री जी ने इसका स्पष्टीकरण किया लेकिन और भी क्या क्या कारण हैं जिससे रिजिडिटी दिखाई जा रही है भारत सरकार की तरफ से कि अलग राज्य न बनाया जाए ?

SHRI S. B. CHAVAN : Sir, about the Uttaranchal, we have requested the Uttar Pradesh Government to supply certain information. That information is still awaited. And, I do not think that we have ever said that this is going to be anti-national or there is a threat to the unity or the integrity of the country. There is nothing of that type. But we have priority problems. In fact, this does not get priority. We can afford to wait for some time. Let the priority questions be tackled first and thereafter, we can attend to these problems.

डा० संजय सिंह : क्या माननीय मंत्री जी . . . (**व्यवधान**) यह जो उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार से जानकारी करने के लिए तमाम सारे अनुमोदन की आवश्यकता चाही है उसके बाद वे पूरी सूचनाओं के आधार पर उसको पृथक राज्य बनाने का आश्वासन देंगे ?

श्री एस० बी० चव्हाण : यह जानकारी आने के बाद इसके बारे में विचार किया किया जाएगा . . . (**व्यवधान**)

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question No. 88.

*88. [*The Questioners (Shri Chimanbhai Mehta and S. K. T. Ramachandran) were absent. For answer vide col. ....* infra.]

Compensation to 1984 Riot Victims

*89. SHRI P. UPENDRA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the victims of the November 1984 riots are yet to receive adequate compensation for the loss suffered by them; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to ameliorate the condition of these victims ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) and (b) The Government has undertaken various relief and rehabilitation measures to ameliorate the condition of November, 1984 riot victims and their families. Statement giving brief details of the relief and rehabilitation measures undertaken are laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

The schemes towards relief and rehabilitation of November, 1984 riot victims' families in Delhi and the relief provided as on 30-9-1992 is as under :—

1. *Compensation in case of death/injury*:

(i) Death @ Rs. 20,000/-

(ii) Injury @ Rs. 500- to Rs. 2,000/-

In 2563 death cases, compensation amounting to about Rs. 5.12 crores has been given to the next of kin. 2603 injured persons have been given compensation of Rs. 54.62 lakhs.

2. *Compensation in case of loss of dwelling units* :

(i) Total damage @ Rs. 20,000/-

(ii) Substantial damage @ Rs. 10,000/-

(iii) Partial damage @ Rs. 2,000/-

Amount of Rs. 5.83 crores has been disbursed in respect of 3537 dwelling units damaged during riots.

3. *Marriage assistance* :

(i) Remarriage of widow @ Rs. 5,000/-

(ii) Marriage of daughter @ Rs. 3,000/-

213 persons given assistane amounting to Rs. 6.67 lakhs.

4. *Grant of adhoc relief* :

(i) Adhoc relief to widow and aged persons 60 years who lost their earning or would be earning members.	@Rs. 400/- p.m. @Rs. 1000/- p.m. (w.e.f. 15-3-1990)	

228 widows and 58 aged persons are getting relief under the scheme.

(ii) Additional adhoc relief to widows till one employable son/ daughter become earning member	@Rs. 1000/- p.m. (w.e.f. 16-6-1990)	

37 widows are getting relief under the scheme.

5. *Uninsured commercial properties*

50% of the estimated loss or Rs. 50,000—whichever is less.

3417 cases covered. Compensation paid amounting to Rs. 4.75 crores.

6. *Employment to widow and wards* :

604 persons provided employment.

7. *Tenements to widow and others* :

2083 tenements provided.

8. *Grant of stipend to wards of riot affected widows* :

School going students—Rs. 50/- p.m.

College going students—Rs. 100/- p.m.

Stipend amounting to Rs. 10.07 lakhs disbursed under the scheme.

SHRI P. UPENDRA : Sir, the statement given by the Minister indicates that the relief given in many cases has been very inadequate. For example, the compensation in case of death is only Rs. 20,000/- and the grant of *ad hoc* relief to widows and aged persons who lost their earning or would—be earning members would be only Rs. 400/- p.m. to Rs. 1000/- p.m. The compensation is very inadequate. Even the stipend to the school-going students is only Rs. 50/- p.m. per student. And there is a demand that the interest on the loans given to the victims should be waived. Is the Government prepared to consider increasing the compensation rates as well as waiving the interest on the loans given ?

SHRI M. M. JACOB : Sir, it is not true to say that the compensation is totally inadequate. It is after sufficient consideration that we have given the compensations.

Regarding the last portion of your question relating to the relief on loans, the matter was brought to the notice of the Government insisting on the necessity of reducing the interest rates and of waiving small loan amounts taken by some of them. The Government had requested the Finance Ministry to constitute a Committee to go into the question. So, a Committee was constituted with the then Secretary of Banking as the Convenor. That Committee has gone into the question and has recommended certain things. Based on the recommendations, a representation was made by various Sikh organisations, including the Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee in Delhi, asking for further reduction of interest and for enhancement of the ceiling for writing off loans. I think that matter is engaging the attention of the said Committee and we will be able to come back with a decision very shortly.

SHRI P. UPENDRA : Sir, the Conditions in the rehabilitation colonies are very poor. Also, the number of people returning to their homes from these colonies is

very meagre. For example, in Block 32 of the Trilokpuri area, where there were 300 people earlier, only 15 have returned now. And, one reason for this is, those who perpetrated the crimes at that time are still roaming in the area unpunished. Will the Government consider taking action against those people whose names have been mentioned in the FIR and also in the Committee's report earlier and will it also improve the conditions in the rehabilitation colonies until these people return to their homes ?

SHRI M. M. JACOB : Yes, Sir. The Government is closely monitoring the exercise of taking steps against the people, official and non-official, who were involved in the riots. But, a certain delay occurred because of the stay orders obtained from various courts. The functioning of the Committee also got delayed. The matter is in the process and various stages of investigation. Some have already been completed, some are undergoing the next stage. Various stages of the proceedings are on. This is the present position.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

सेना के जवानों की शिकायतों के निराकरण हेतु एक स्वतन्त्र निकाय की स्थापना

*81. श्री ईश दत्त यादव : क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार सेना के जवानों की शिकायतों के निराकरण हेतु एक स्वतन्त्र निकाय की स्थापना करने पर विचार कर रही है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) इसकी स्थापना कब तक कर दिये जाने की संभावना है ?

रक्षा मंत्री (श्री शरद पवार) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

Facility to MPs to Purchase in Auction Army Vehicles and Defence Stores

*82. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any facility or preference given to Members of Parliament to purchase in auction old army vehicles, cars and other equipment;

(b) if so, what is the total number of vehicles and cars given in such auctions to MPs during the years 1990 to 1992; and

(c) whether any preference is shown to MPs in army stores where items of household articles are marketed, if not, whether Government propose to extend the benefits to the Members of Parliament under this scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR) : (a) to (c) There is no policy for giving preference to Members of Parliament in the auction of Army vehicles and other Defence equipments. However, they are eligible to apply, during their tenure, for allotment of a maximum number of 3 Army disposal vehicles comprising Jeeps, Jongas, Ambassador Cars (not more than one) and Motor Cycles, subject to their availability.

Allotment orders for 346 Ambassador Cars, 703 Jeeps, 51 Jongas and 107 Motor Cycles were issued to the Members of Parliament (both Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha) during 1990 to 1992 (up to 24-11-1992).

Household articles and other daily necessities are sold to Defence personnel by Unit Run Canteens, which are retail outlets owned and controlled by the Units/Formations of the Defence Services, and run under their private Regimental arrangements. These Unit Run Canteens are serviced by the Canteen Stores Department of the Ministry of Defence. The facilities of the Unit Run Canteens are available only to the Defence Service personnel, ex-Servicemen and other specially entitled categories, and not open to others. There is no proposal at present to extend this facility to Members of Parliament.